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"NO WEAKNESS OR WAVERING UNTIL PEACE IS SIGNED"—EDEN

Momentous Foreign Affairs Debate



Our photograph shows how little there was in the Derby result yesterday. King's Lead (Mr. Marshall), on the rails, and Honey-moon Eve (Mr. Needs) at the Valley yesterday. ("China Mail" photo.)

SUCCESSFUL NIGHT ATTACK

ABYSSINIANS ASSAIL ITALIAN FORTIFIED POSITIONS

Addis Ababa, To-day.
Ras Kassa's troops are reported to have carried out a successful night attack on the fortified Italian positions north of Aksum, which is far in the rear of the Italian lines, the Italian losses being given at \$12 of the home army besides numerous Askaris.

**LONDON EXPERIENCES A
"PARTICULAR"**
Night Turned Into Day
London, To-day.
Thick fog is enveloping London, though the fog is not the ground kind, but up overhead, making it like night—Reuter Bulletin Service.

**LEITH-ROSS
MISSION**
Sir Frederick In An
Interview
NO SUGGESTIONS MADE TO
SOUTH-WEST OFFICIALS
[From Our Own Correspondent]
Canton, To-day.

"I was here to study the economic conditions and did not make any suggestions or proposals," Sir Frederick Leith-Ross, high adviser to the British Treasury, told foreign correspondents yesterday afternoon at the British Consulate General just before he left by train for Hong Kong en route for Shanghai and Nanking.
The British adviser did not commit himself on the proposed loop-line linking the Kowloon-Canton Railway with the Canton-Hankow Railway, but said that in the long run Canton would be benefited by through traffic, because people in the hinterland would find it more economical and convenient to import and export goods through Hong Kong.
"No direct benefit will go to Hong Kong," Sir Frederick said, "because in any event the goods will have to pass through that colony, a deep water port. Sampan traffic in Canton may be affected by the loop-line."
Sir Frederick also denied that he had proposed that Canton should adopt the same currency as that of Nanking, although he admitted that, on economic theory, a uniform currency is desirable. However, the question of currency is to be tackled

BRITAIN'S POLICY OUTLINED

"NO LOT NOR PART IN ENCIRCLEMENT"

LABOUR LEADER'S SCATHING COMMENT ON SPEECH

London, To-day.
The House of Commons was crowded in anticipation of Mr. Anthony Eden's speech on foreign affairs.
Mr. Lees-Smith, Labour, opened the debate by complaining of the Government's lukewarmness on the matter of sanctions, urging the Government to endeavour to promote an immediate oil embargo and to cease helping aggression by supplying Signor Mussolini with cotton, water, animals, etc., etc.
Mr. Eden declared that within 10 days of the declaration of war Italy had been declared the aggressor and the Committee had proposed sanctions against Italy. He suggested that the League's record was remarkable for rapidity rather than dilatoriness.
Referring to the contention that the League's sanctions had proved ineffective, Mr. Eden remarked: "That is not our information." He added that it was clear from Italy's efforts to collect gold that the significance of sanctions was fully recognised in Italy. The effect of the existing sanctions was continuous and cumulative and must ultimately have an important influence in achieving the cessation of hostilities.

He recalled that while the Persian oil exports to Italy had declined from 13 to 4 per cent., the United States oil exports had risen from 6 to nearly 18 per cent. The Government had not yet completed the examination of the experts' report on the oil embargo, but the report would shortly be discussed at Geneva.
In the judgment of the British Government the sooner the report was discussed and a decision reached the better. The British policy was to maintain a steady collective resistance to aggression. "There can be neither weakness nor wavering until peace is signed."
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**DR. WANG IN
CANTON**
Nanking's Policy
Explained
UNOFFICIAL CALLS MADE
[From Our Own Correspondent]
Canton, To-day.
Nanking's foreign policy towards Japan was explained by Dr. C. T. Wang, Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Central Political Council, to Mr. Hu Han-min, veteran Kuomintang leader, yesterday. After calling also on Generals Chen Chi-tang and Li Chung-jen, Messrs. Hsiao Fu-chien and Chou Lou, Dr. Wang left here this morning by train for Hong Kong.
Dr. Wang expounded the policy of Nanking towards Japan in his unofficial call on Mr. Hu, in the hope that he would support it and proceed soon to the capital to share the responsibility of state with General Chiang Kai-shek, President of the Executive Yuan. It was understood Mr. Hu is reported to hold that acts and not promises are needed to show General Chiang's intentions.
There is no change in the political situation here. Mr. Hu is likely to adhere to his principles, and takes the position that he can render his services to the Kuomintang and country without necessarily going to Nanking.

**SATISFACTION
IN FRANCE**
Both Governments On
Same Path
Paris, To-day.
The firmness with which Mr. Anthony Eden announced the unwavering continuity of British policy regarding sanctions has created a considerable impression in French circles. It is pointed out that British policy is in no way in conflict with the French Government's attitude, which stands for full support whatever the collective action adopted by the League Council, without taking the initiative in the matter. Mr. Eden's emphasis of Britain's need to re-arm in the interests of collective security is cordially welcomed by all parties—Reuter.

**CLUBMAN FOUND
SHOT**
Shanghai, To-day.
Mr. George Olen, a well-known American insurance clubman, was found with a bullet wound in the head in his apartment this morning, and was taken to hospital nearby. Mr. Olen was connected with the West Coast Life Insurance Co.—Reuter.



Mr. D. E. Samson proudly leading in his Derby winner, Honey-moon Eve (Mr. Needs) at the Valley yesterday. ("China Mail" photo.)

CRITICAL PERIOD

LONDON NAVAL MEETING

Political Matters Intrude

FRANCE'S FIRM STAND

London, To-day.
The situation in the Naval Conference has not been improved by the meeting yesterday between Admiral Raineri Bisca and Lord Monsell from 3.30 to 6.30 p.m., at which Admiral Bisca conveyed the latest instructions from Rome. Both sides are reticent, but do not deny that Admiral Bisca raised the question of sanctions.
It is deduced that Italy reaffirmed her intention of making the final signature of the Naval Treaty conditional on a satisfactory settlement of the political issue.
Mr. Norman Davis afterwards saw Lord Monsell. The latter will see Admiral Bisca again to-day, but as France similarly insists on the inclusion of political allusions in the naval treaty protocol and Mr. Davis is adamant against the idea, it is obvious that the Naval Conference is facing a most difficult situation—Reuter.

JAPANESE ARMY CHANGES

Forecasts Published In Tokyo

Tokyo, To-day.
The Asahi Shimbun forecasts March changes of appointments as follows:—Lt-General Seiji Keruki will be appointed G.O.C. in North China, with Maj-General Seichi Kita as his Chief of Staff, while Maj-General Takayoshi Fatsunmure will become chief of the Special Service Corps at Mukden, in succession to Maj-General Doihara, promoted Lt-General—Reuter.

ANOTHER CASE OF SABOTAGE?

Investigations By Admiralty

London, To-day.
The Admiralty has announced that it is investigating another case of suspected sabotage at Chatham Dockyard. The destroyer Velox is the vessel involved, making the fourth incident of a similar nature within three months—Reuter.

JUDEA PAYS \$76.90 FOR WIN

MR. FROST SUCCESSFUL ON ELECTRON

BUT THREE FAVOURITES RISE TO OCCASION IN MUD

(By Rapiet)
Despite the heavy rain early this morning and later in the day, three out of five favourites won before the tiffin interval on the third day of the Annual Race Meeting at the Valley to-day. As a result only one substantial dividend was paid—\$76.90 for a win on Judea (Mr. Pih) in the Kalgan Plate.
The best finish was witnessed in The Albury Stakes, where Mr. Frost's handling of Election proved too good for Zodiac (Mr. Pih), a hot favourite, in a thrilling neck and neck struggle up the straight. The Royal Navy Cup also proved an exciting race, Tiny Star beating Wadebridge after a grim duel all the way round.
Mr. D. S. Li, the Northern rider, had two wins before tiffin, while Mr. H. C. Pih had a win, two seconds and a third in four outings.
The track is in a very soft, powdery condition and upsets are expected.

FAVOURITE WINS
Despite the heavy track and a heavy weight impost, King's Warden (Mr. Marshall) won The Exchange Plate by four lengths from Ribble (Mr. Frost), while Macaroni (Mr. Needs) beat the pacemaker and only other starter, King's Justice, for third place. Mr. Harriman took King's Justice out into a big lead, lugging the rails all round, but the one-time favourite shot his bolt before the distance post.
JOCKEYSHIP DECIDES
Electron (Mr. Frost) provided a surprise in The Albury Stakes when he beat Zodiac (Mr. Pih), a hot favourite, by a short head after having got a good start and having relinquished the lead to Zodiac on the corner into the home straight. It was a thrilling finish and another case of jockeyship winning a race. Honey looked good for third place on entering the home stretch, but Violet Queen (Mr. Fung) beat him on the post.
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STOP PRESS
4.00 P.M.—THE GOVERNOR'S CUP—Presented by His Excellency the Governor, with \$800 added for Winner. Second \$250. Third \$150. For China Ponies, Subscription Grifts of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches scale. Winners 7 lb. penalty. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. One Mile.
Lan's Mountain View 155 lb. (Mr. T. L. Wong) 1
Sevens's Hopscotch 158 lb. (Mr. F. Marshall) 2
S. S. L's Gold Sovereign 161 lb. (Mr. G. U. de Roza) 3
Also ran—Blue Ribbon, 165 lb. (Mr. C. Encarnacao); Cassius, 149 lb. (Mr. E. A. Proulx); Merry Jester, 155 lb. (Mr. P. P. Botelho); Rugby Star, 155 lb. (Mr. D. S. Li); and Strathalan, 155 lb. (Mr. D. Black).
8 starters.
Won by—Short head, length and a half.
Time—2:16.2.
Post-money, winner \$25.80, places, 1st \$7.90, 2nd \$9.90, 3rd \$7.10.
Race 3
No. 2103 \$1,506.40
" 3183 430.40
" 1847 215.20
Unplaced runners (\$50 each), Nos. 301, 1116, 1209, 2038, 1799.
Other Results will be found on page 12.

**RUSSIAN SHIP
AFIRE**
CARGO OF MATCHES
AND TURPENTINE
London, To-day.
A Russian steamer, lying opposite the Thames embankment, moved downstream yesterday as a fire in one hold was feared. She had a cargo of matches and turpentine on board, which would have made her a danger to navigation if she were burnt. Later the steamer was taken off the boat—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

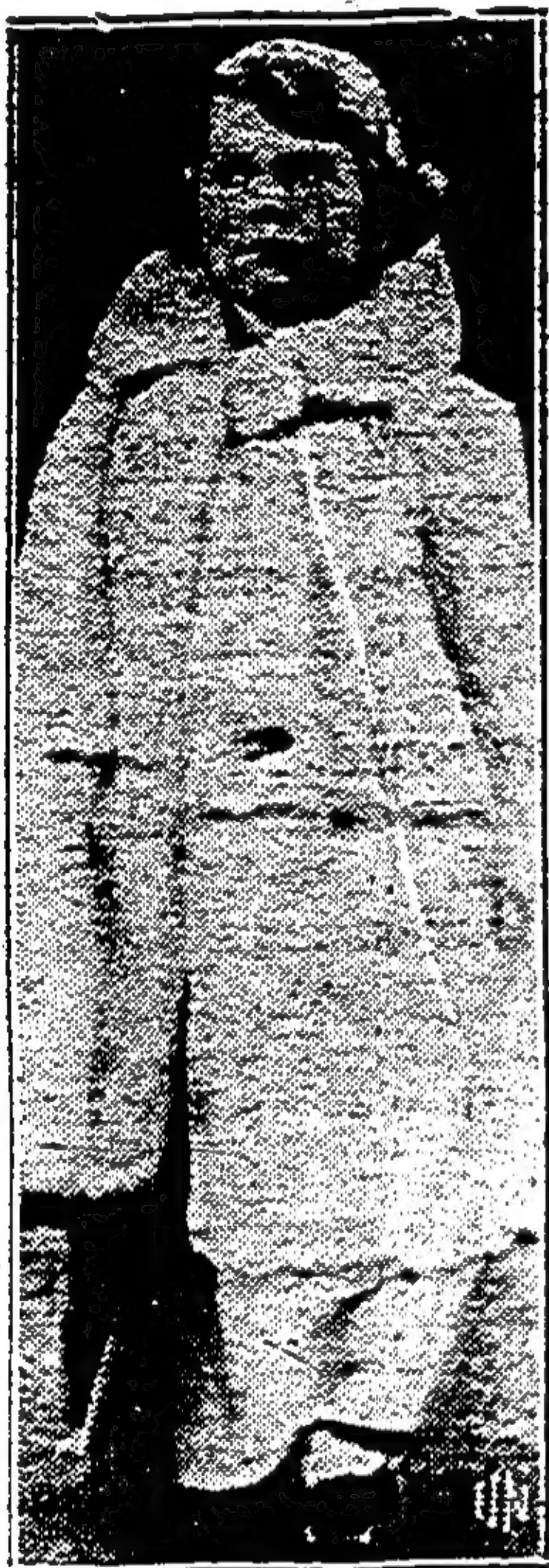
"THE KING IS DEAD—LONG LIVE THE KING!" EDWARD VIII



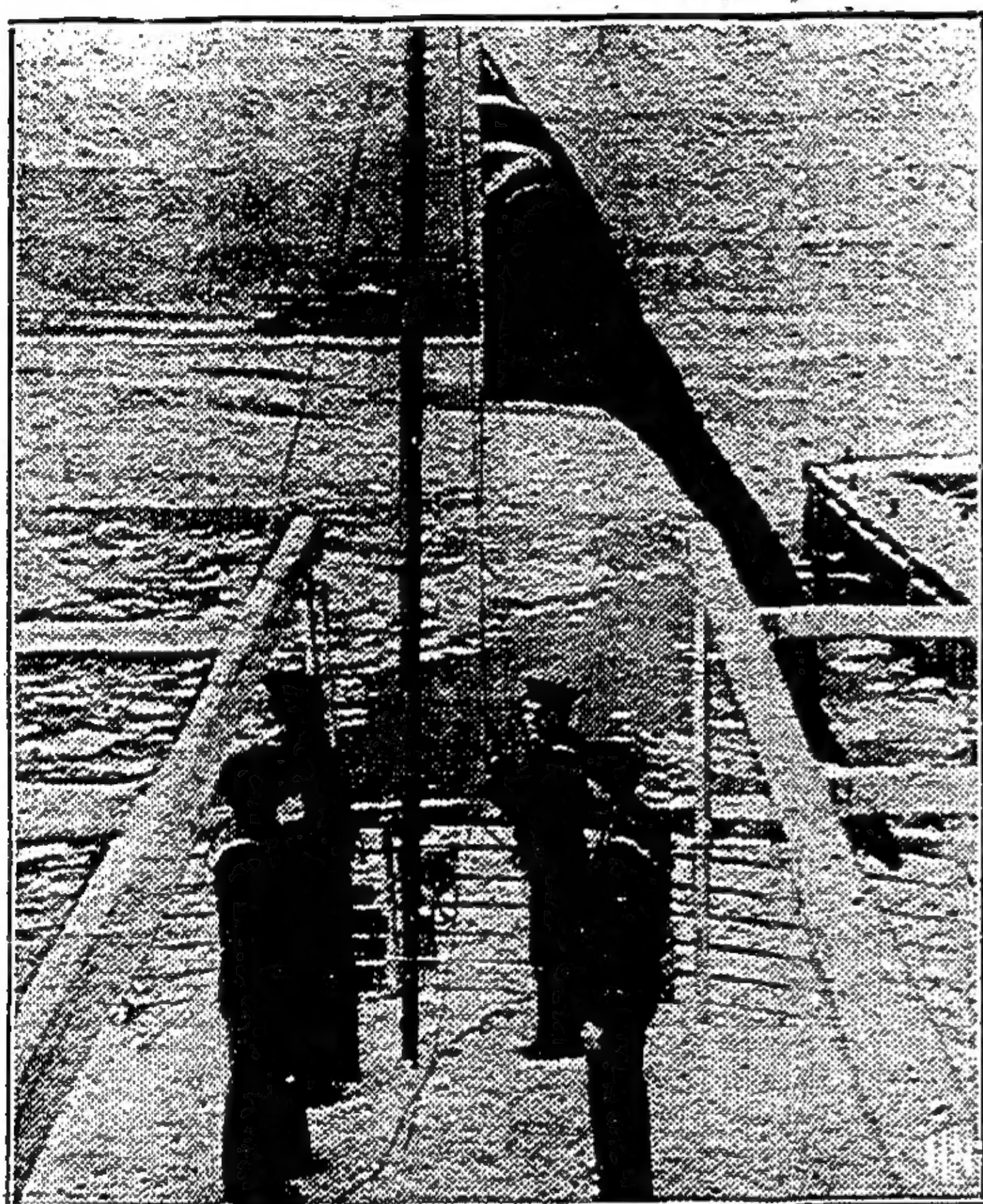
As Prince of Wales, the new King of England, Edward VIII, was followed by the well-dressed man in his choice of clothes. Whenever the Prince exhibited some new idea, the fashion world immediately followed his lead as dictator of fashion.



Propped on pillows on his sickbed, on January 19 last, His late Majesty King George V delegated to Her Majesty Queen Mary and his four sons powers as a Council of State over Great Britain. The Council, which ruled while the King was sick, was made up of H.R.H. the Duke of York, H.R.H. the Prince of Wales and Her Majesty Queen Mary (top l. to r.) and Their Royal Highnesses the Dukes of Kent and Gloucester (below l. to r.).



Though only nine years of age and second in line for the Throne of England, the Princess Elizabeth, daughter of the Duke and Duchess of York, wears her ermine cloak like a queen, which she may some day be.



Sailors on the British liner Lancastria, in New York harbour, standing at the salute before the half-masted flag as the news of the death of His late Majesty King George V was received.



The Princess Elizabeth of York, second in the line of accession to the Throne, shown with her favourite uncle, "Uncle David," now King Edward VIII.



His Majesty King Edward has always shown great interest in the conditions of the working class in England. Here is the new monarch, as Prince of Wales, on a tour of inspection in the mining districts in the north of England.



King Edward VIII comes to the throne with a unique experience of the many facets of life to be found in the British Empire. He travelled extensively, not only in the British Empire but all over the world, before he was called to the Throne by the death of his beloved father last month. Above are shown some of the many roles he has played in the course of his extensive travels—formal and informal, grave and gay, from fancy dress parties to official state in Gwaler, during his visit to the Maharajah.



The accession of King Edward VIII as King of England marked the sixth new ruler in three years in the world's few remaining monarchies. The particular boom year was 1924.

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INWARD MAILS FROM EUROPE

Van Heuts (Air Mail ex Imperial Service) Feb. 25
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FROM SHANGHAI Feb. 25
Chenonoeux 25
Mennon 25
Toussaint 25
Burwan 25
Hakozaki Maru 25
Hakozaki Maru 25
Emp. of Japan 25
Pres. Polk 25
Asama Maru 25

FROM U.S.A. Feb. 28
Emp. of Japan 28
Pres. Polk 28

FROM STRAITS & INDIA Feb. 25
Van Heuts 25
Tango Maru 25
Bumans 25
Hosang 25
Hector 25

FROM JAPAN Feb. 25
Tokuwa Maru 25
Emp. of Japan 25
Hakozaki Maru 25
Pres. Polk 25
Hakozaki Maru 25
Asama Maru 25

FROM MANILA Feb. 28
Pres. Grant 28
Tisalak 28
Nankin 28
Taping 28

FROM AUSTRALIA Feb. 28
Nankin 28
Taping 28

OUTWARD MAILS FOR EUROPE Feb. 25
Chenonoeux (Air Orient Service) 25
Closes: Reg. 10 a.m. Ord. 10.30 a.m.
Mennon (via Marseilles) 25
Closes: Reg. 4.15 p.m. Ord. 5 p.m.
Suisang (Imperial Service) 25
Emp. of Russia (via Siberia) 25
Closes: Reg. 9.15 a.m. Ord. 10 a.m.
Burwan (via Marseilles) 25
Closes: Reg. 4.15 p.m. Ord. 5 p.m.
Pres. Grant (via Siberia) 25
Closes: Reg. 4.15 p.m. Ord. 5 p.m.
Hakozaki Maru (via Marseilles) 25
Closes: Reg. 5 p.m. Ord. 6 p.m.

FOR SHANGHAI Feb. 25
Emp. of Russia 25
Hakozaki Maru 25
Pres. Grant 25

FOR JAPAN Feb. 25
Tyndareus 25
Emp. of Russia 25
Hakozaki Maru 25
Pres. Grant 25

Amusements

Cinema Notes

"HIS NIGHT OUT"—KING'S THEATRE

The huge New York offices of a company operating a chain of drug-stores were constructed completely at Universal City, California, to be used as backgrounds in Universal's gay comedy starring Edward Everett Horton, "His Night Out."

Technical advisers and architects were called onto the sound stages to make the set perfect in every detail, from the appointments in the offices of the owner of the "chain," Robert McWade, to the files in the desks of the lowest clerks.

Horton, who is in love with the boss' secretary, played by Irene Harvey, battles gangsters headed by Jack LaBue, "ramps" Lola Lane, gang moll, "sticks up" a collection of thugs, takes the blame for burglarizing a safe, and plays a leading part in a series of wild chases in automobiles through Manhattan, ending when the cars crash into the East River.

The exciting backgrounds are fitted to the fast action of the production, which was directed by the veteran, William Nigh, from a cleverly plotted and dialogued script by Doris Malloy and Harry Clark.

"SHIPMATES FOREVER"—QUEEN'S THEATRE

This picture, starring Dick Powell and Ruby Keeler in the leading roles, deals with the life at the Naval Academy and the subsequent careers of the young men who become after their graduation exactly what the title states, "Shipmates Forever."

Dick in the beginning is a radio singer, who to carry out the traditions of the family gives up his lucrative career to enter Annapolis. Ruby is the orphaned daughter of a Navy family, who to support herself teaches the children of the officers to dance. So that the singing and dancing in the picture fall in naturally.

Though hardly a musical, Dick Powell sings four songs, and the picture is really a powerful drama with music and dancing aptly introduced.

Other well known players in the cast are Lewis Stone, Ross Alexander, John Arledge, Dick Foran, Robert Light and Eddie Acuff.

"SHE GETS HER MAN"—MAJESTIC THEATRE

An improvised banquet hall accommodating more than 50 of

FOR U.S.A. Feb. 25

Tyndareus 25
Emp. of Russia 25
Pres. Grant 25

FOR STRAITS AND INDIA Feb. 25

Mennon 25
Suisang 25
Burwan 25
Hakozaki Maru 25

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BRIDGE NOTES

DECLARER SQUEEZED

By Ely Culbertson

There is an old story about the chauffeur who ran over himself—too well known to repeat here—of which I am sometimes reminded at the Bridge table when an unthinking declarer blissfully completes the running off of tricks in dummy's long suit and suddenly finds that he has successfully squeezed himself.

Many a player whose ambition it is to perform some day a real squeeze first realizes it by the embarrassing process of having squeezed himself. After one such experience he either eschews the squeeze play altogether, or, having learned its operation by dire self-application, proceeds to apply his knowledge, and the "pressure" principle thus learned, to his future opponents.

To-day's hand is an amusing example of this self-annihilation.

(Continued in next column)

Chicago's most ferocious looking gangsters is one of the unusual settings in "She Gets Her Man," this riotously funny Universal comedy, with ZaSu Pitts and Hugh O'Connell in the starring roles.

Much of the action of the story takes place in a small town in Arkansas, and there are many interesting views of its main street. This setting, by the way, is a permanent fixture at Universal studios, and is officially known as the New England Street. Another long-standing "set" used in the picture is the so-called Phantom Stage, embracing the entire interior of a great theatre in Chicago and originally constructed for the memorable silent picture, "The Phantom of the Opera." Here Miss Pitts, an accidental heroine in the story, delivers a more-or-less impassioned lecture against crime.

William Nigh, directed "She Gets Her Man," and the cast supporting, Miss Pitts and O'Connell includes Helen Twelvetrees, Lucien Littlefield, Gertrude Astor, Eddie Brophy, Warren Hymer and many other popular screen players.

"THE BIG BROADCAST OF 1936"—STAR THEATRE

"The Big Broadcast of 1936" can be classed as an entertainment of the highest order in musical and comedy films. There is not a dull moment in this picture, which includes the highest talent from radio, stage and screen. Jack Oakie and Lyda Roberti provide the light comedy, while Burns and Allen are very enjoyable in their broader antics.

"A NIGHT AT THE OPERA"—ORIENTAL THEATRE

One of the most outstanding comedy teams in the United States appear again before the film public in "A Night At The Opera" after an absence of over a year.

Groucho, Chico and Harpo Marx all appear with an entirely new set of gags that have proved to be a riot wherever the picture has been shown. In order to test the risibility of each line and episode a novel method was devised. A stage was erected and an audience collected; then the Marxians went through their antics. In the wings the producers judged the amount of spontaneous laughter that greeted each joke, and if it was not sufficient that particular part was immediately "cut."

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station, Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 K.C.'s).

4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7-11 p.m.—European Programme.
7-7.30 p.m.—New Light Symphony Orchestra.

Three Corners Hat—Suite (De Falla)
Children's Overture (Quilter).
Mousetrap Bells (Weir).

7.30-7.40 p.m.—From the Studio.
The 12th of a series of "Educational Talks" by Uncle Mac.
7.40-8 p.m.—The Mills Brothers.

The Barwell Sisters
1. Since we fell out of love.
2. What's the reason.
3. Don't let your love go wrong.
4. Why don't you practice what you preach.

4. Don't be afraid to tell your mother.
8 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report; Closing Local Stock Quotations.

8.05-8.35 p.m.—From the Studio.
Jazz Piano Duets by Bill Cameron and George Bond.
8.35-9 p.m.—"Impressions D'Italie" (Chapman).

9-9.15 p.m.—A Relay of the Daventry News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuters).

9.15-9.40 p.m.—A Selection of Song Memories.
9.40-10 p.m.—From the Studio.

Programme
Scenes from Childhood.
Schumann.

10 p.m.—Big Ben.
10-11 p.m.—Dance Music.
11 p.m.—Close Down.

ANNA MAY WONG

Peninsula Hotel Reception

Miss Anna May Wong, the Chinese cinema star from Hollywood, has been the subject of one entertainment after another by enthusiastic admirers since her arrival in the Colony on Friday last. This evening she will be entertained by Mr. Peter H. Sin, the well-known local solicitor, at the Peninsula Hotel.

Mr. Sin knew Miss Wong well while he was in England four years ago. He states that many other old friends of the star will be at the reception which is being given this evening in her honour.

South, Dealer

S-9 4
E-7 5
D-A-7 3
C-A-Q-J 10 6 3

S-J 7 5 3 N-S-A-10 8 2
E-A-8 6 4 W-E-J-10 9 8
D-K-Q-J 4 S-D-6 5
C-9 S-K-Q 6
E-K-Q 2
D-10 9 8 2
C-K 8 5

The bidding:

South West North East
Pass Pass 1C Pass
2NT Pass 3NT Pass

West opened the King of diamonds, which declarer allowed to win, false-carding with the eight in order to make East's play of the five look like a comeson signal. Because of this and to knock out dummy's only entry to the club suit, in case his partner should have it stopped, West continued with the Queen of diamonds. North's Ace won the trick and a third round of diamonds was led, which West won with the Jack. Unwilling to risk helping declarer by shifting to spades or hearts, West returned with his fourth diamond.

When South won this trick he could have laid down either the King of spades or King of hearts and established his ninth trick. Instead, he made the

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Hong Kong, 24th February, 1936.

fatal error of cashing the clubs first. He found discards for the four hand fifth rounds and might still have made the hand if he had left a last club in dummy playing one of the majors before he squeezed himself. But running all of the available established tricks proved too alluring—and dummy's last club was led before declarer stopped to think.

East held the Ace-ten and a small spade, and a singleton heart; West, the Ace, eight and a small heart and a singleton spade; but declarer had only King-Queen blank in both suits. The opponents' discards were easy—the declarer's, impossible.

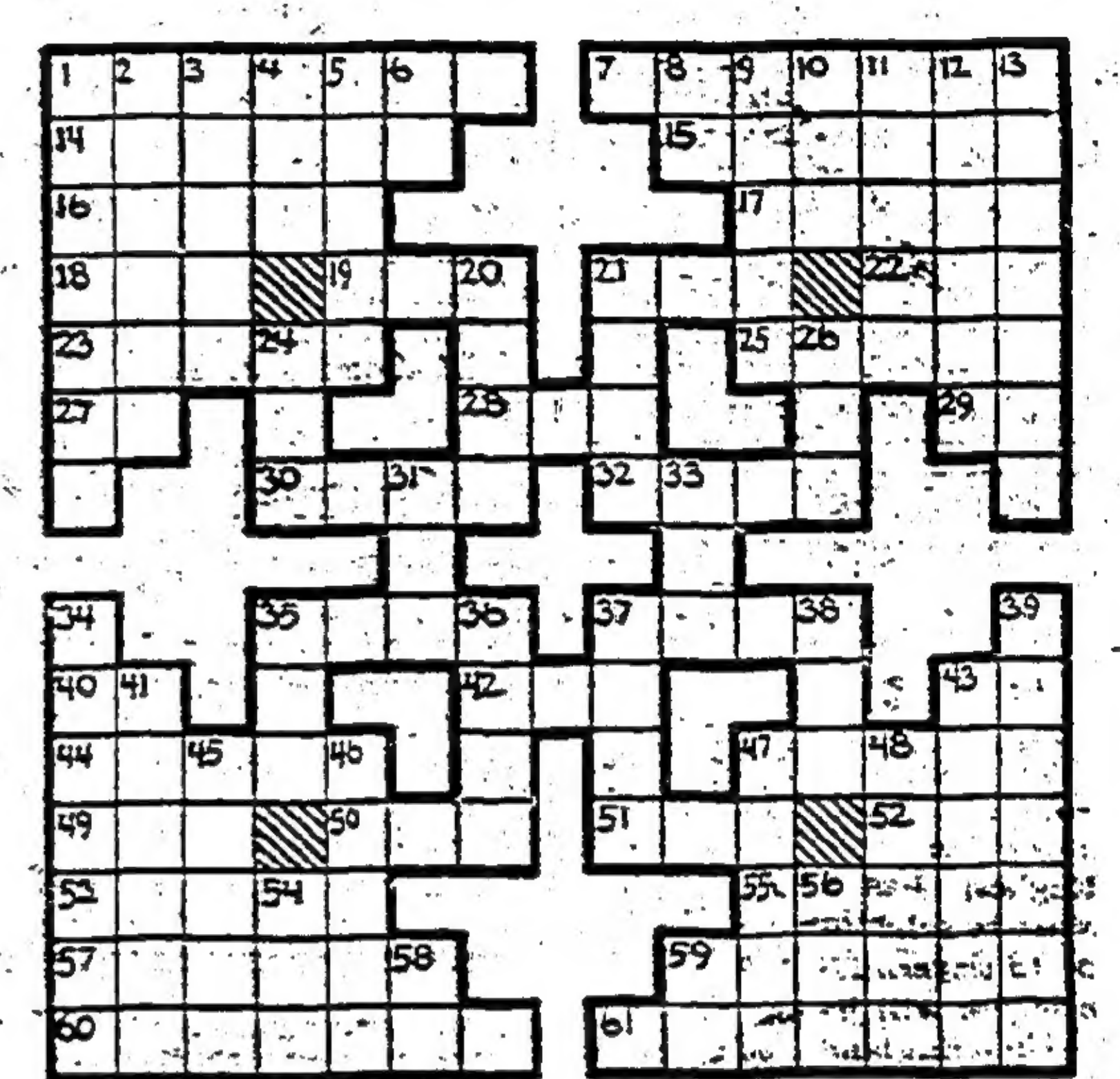
The chauffeur of this particular hand had run over himself.

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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



- HORIZONTAL
- 1-Girdling
 - 7-Business activities
 - 14-Avoids
 - 15-Dress lining
 - 16-Torment
 - 17-A target (Fr.)
 - 18-An insect
 - 19-Joined
 - 21-A letter
 - 22-Anger
 - 23-Large public conveyances
 - 25-The
 - 27-The (Fr.)
 - 28-A wire measure
 - 29-Tellurium (abbr.)
 - 30-Part of the leg
 - 32-A college official
 - 33-Greek god
 - 37-Discharge
 - 40-You and I
 - 42-A fairy
 - 43-Very
 - 44-Scatter
 - 47-Very small particles
 - 49-Prefix. Thrice
- HORIZONTAL (Contd.)
- 50-Direct
 - 51-Wrong doing
 - 52-Deep hole
 - 53-Exits
 - 55-An upright sculp-sured slab
 - 57-Happening
 - 59-Fruit-producing tree
 - 60-"best compact"
- VERTICAL
- 1-Subject to assessment
 - 2-A thoroughfare
 - 3-Roots
 - 4-Pairs (abbr.)
 - 6-Entries in an account
 - 7-A Canadian province (abbr.)
 - 8-Since
 - 9-Grades
 - 10-Greek letter
 - 11-Weird
 - 12-Mourn
- VERTICAL (Contd.)
- 13-Scored
 - 15-Doyle
 - 16-Without warmth
 - 17-Large deer
 - 18-A towel
 - 19-Protects
 - 20-A tree
 - 21-Hurried
 - 22-Grow old
 - 23-Ridge
 - 24-Small lizard (pl.)
 - 25-Small child
 - 26-Contend
 - 27-Wore a cheerful aspect
 - 28-Rent sunder
 - 29-Spend
 - 30-Sub-family of birds including geese
 - 31-Musical drama
 - 32-A naval officer (abbr.)
 - 33-One (Scot.)
 - 34-Steamship (abbr.)
 - 35-Still payable (abbr.)

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in tomorrow's issue.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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107 RUNSCraigengower In A
Good Position

A two-day cricket match between the Kowloon Cricket Club and Craigengower Cricket Club began on the K.C.C. ground yesterday, and at the close of play the visitors were in the comfortable position of being only 30 runs behind on the first innings with 8 wickets in hand.

HONG SLING IN
SEMI-FINALColony Billiards
Championship

W. Hong Sling entered the semi-final round of the Senior Billiards Championship by defeating M. N. Rakusen by 500 points to 275 at the Club Lusitano last night. Rakusen could only manage a 25 break against Hong Sling's 78.

In the Junior Championship, R. G. Xavier beat C. A. Cunha by 300 points to 256 at the Civil Service Cricket Club, and at the Naval Dockyard Police Club, F. P. Sequeira defeated Simon Chan by 390 points to 285.

Simon Chan chalked up a 32 break, which was the highest in the two matches. Sequeira followed with a 30.

The game between Mui Chan-jed and Tam Hun-bun, which was scheduled to be played at the Dockyard Recreation Club, was postponed until this evening.

MIXED DOUBLES
BADMINTONKowloon Tong Club
Secure 6 To 3 Win

Kowloon Tong Club defeated the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home by 6 games to 3 in the Mixed Doubles Badminton League last night at Kowloon Tong.

Detailed results of the game were as follows:

	P.W.	L.F.	Pts.
C.R.C.	10	9	1 67 23 13
Fire Brigade	11	9	2 75 24 18
Baccaro "A"	8	7	1 60 12 14
Baccaro "B"	10	6	4 59 31 12
St. John's	12	6	6 52 56 12
St. Andrew's	9	4	5 35 46 8
Kowloon Tong	11	3	8 61 68 8
Tai Koo	10	2	8 21 69 4
S. and S. Home	10	0	10 15 76 0

MEN'S DOUBLES
BADMINTON

In the Men's Doubles Badminton League last night the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home defeated Kowloon Tong Club by 5 games to 4 at Kowloon Tong.

Detailed results of the game were as follows:

	P.W.	L.F.	Pts.
C.R.C.	13	11	2 90 27 22
Baccaro "A"	9	9	0 70 11 18
St. Andrew's "A"	11	8	3 62 26 16
St. John's "B"	12	8	4 71 37 16
St. John's "A"	7	7	0 59 4 14
Baccaro "B"	9	7	2 53 23 14
St. John's	14	7	7 69 63 14
Fire Brigade	14	7	7 64 63 14
V.K.C.	12	8	9 74 74 6
St. Andrew's "B"	12	2	11 20 28 4
S. and S. Home	12	1	11 22 28 2
Kowloon Tong	13	1	12 36 31 2

LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE

	P.W.	L.F.	Pts.
C.R.C.	13	11	2 90 27 22
Baccaro "A"	9	9	0 70 11 18
St. Andrew's "A"	11	8	3 62 26 16
St. John's "B"	12	8	4 71 37 16
St. John's "A"	7	7	0 59 4 14
Baccaro "B"	9	7	2 53 23 14
St. John's	14	7	7 69 63 14
Fire Brigade	14	7	7 64 63 14
V.K.C.	12	8	9 74 74 6
St. Andrew's "B"	12	2	11 20 28 4
S. and S. Home	12	1	11 22 28 2
Kowloon Tong	13	1	12 36 31 2

YESTERDAY'S WINNERS

(Continued from Page 1)

Also ran—Able Warrior, 156 lb. (Mr. D. S. Li); Blandford, 154 lb. (Mr. C. Encarnacao); Honey, 152 lb. (Mr. N. Deitz); and Ranger, 152 lb. (Mr. D. Black).

7 starters.
Won by 1½ lengths, 1½ lengths.
Time: 1.51.2.
Parimutuel, winner \$32.80; places, 1st \$3.40; 2nd \$7.00; 3rd \$6.00.

3-12.30 P.M.—THE CURRAGH STAKES—Winner \$800. Second \$250. Third \$150. For China Ponies. Ponies classified "A" and "B" Classes as at 31st December, 1935, barred. Weight 145 lb. 1 lb. penalty for every 200 or part thereof won in stakes since 1st January, 1935. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

Also ran—Flybynight, 149 lb. (Mr. D. Black); Foxbridge, 150 lb. (Mr. F. Marshall); Gold Coin, 153 lb. (Mr. S. N. Pan); Gold Picker, 152 lb. (Mr. V. V. Needs); Great Hall, 155 lb. (Mr. G. U. da Rosa); Locksley Hall, 147 lb. (Mr. G. R. Cheape); Mersey, 147 lb. (Mr. H. C. Pih); Popular Star, 147 lb. (Mr. Y. T. Fung); Rousseau, 155 lb. (Mr. C. Encarnacao); Soldier of China, 154 lb. (Mr. T. L. Wong); The Rain Gauge, 149 lb. (Mr. Tang Man Wa); Valorous, 152 lb. (Mr. E. O. Butler); What A Chance, 151 lb. (Mr. Ip Kwi-fing); and Ythan, 153 lb. (Mr. L. G. Frost).

17 starters.
Won by a length, ½ length.
Parimutuel, winner \$29.40; places, 1st \$3.60; 2nd \$8.20; 3rd \$3.30.

4-1.00 P.M.—THE VICTORIA STAKES—Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

Also ran—Cossack's Beauty, 161 lb. (Mr. T. L. Wong); Cyclamen Bay, 155 lb. (Mr. D. Black); Herod, 161 lb. (Mr. V. V. Needs); New Star, 161 lb. (Mr. P. P. Botelho); and Plain View, 155 lb. (Mr. Tang Man Wa).

8 starters.
Won by 2 lengths, 3 lengths.
Time: 2.00.4.
Parimutuel, winner \$71.30; places, 1st \$3.80; 2nd \$7.00; 3rd \$6.60.

5-1.30 P.M.—THE GARRISON CUP—Presented by the Officers of the Garrison, with \$500 added for Winner Second \$250. Third \$150. For China Ponies. Subscription Grifflins of this Club at any Season. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription Grifflins of this Meeting allowed 3 lb. Winners anywhere during 1935, of one race, 3 lb.; of two races, 5 lb.; of three or more races, 7 lb.; at this Meeting, 3 lb. penalty. Subscription Grifflins of previous seasons, that have not won at least two races at race meetings of this Club, barred. Jockey Allowance. Penalties and Allowances accumulative. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

Also ran—Belmont Star, 165 lb. (Mr. Y. T. Fung); Borgomaster, 158 lb. (Mr. G. A. Harriman); Cavalcade, 160 lb. (Mr. V. V. Needs); Double Chance, 166 lb. (Mr. C. Encarnacao); Emergency Call, 163 lb. (Mr. S. N. Pan); Partnership, 152 lb. (Mr. G. U. da Rosa); Philanderer, 161 lb. (Mr. D. Black); Racing Boy, 160 lb. (Mr. J. Pote-Hunt); Seventeenth of September, 159 lb. (Mr. L. G. Frost); Valley View, 160 lb. (Mr. T. L. Wong); Warrington, 155 lb. (Mr. P. P. Botelho); and Young Chap, 155 lb. (Mr. H. C. Pih).

15 starters.
Won by ½ length, ½ length.
Time: 2.08.3.
Parimutuel, winner \$17.70; places, 1st \$7.40; 2nd \$12.10; 3rd \$3.30.

6-1.00 P.M.—THE MONGOLIAN STAKES—Winner \$800. Second \$250. Third \$150. For China Ponies. Subscription Grifflins of this Club at any Season. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription Grifflins of this Meeting allowed 3 lb. Winners anywhere during 1935, of one race, 3 lb.; of two races, 5 lb.; of three or more races, 7 lb.; at this Meeting, 3 lb. penalty. Subscription Grifflins of previous seasons, that have not won at least two races at race meetings of this Club, barred. Jockey Allowance. Penalties and Allowances accumulative. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

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8 starters.
Won by 4 lengths, 3 lengths.
Time: 1.53.1.
Parimutuel, winner \$12.20; places, 1st \$3.10; 2nd \$5.30; 3rd \$12.70.

7-5.30 P.M.—THE "BLACK ROCK" STAKES—Winner \$800. Second \$250. Third \$150. For China Ponies. Subscription Grifflins of this Club at any Season. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription Grifflins of this Meeting allowed 3 lb. Winners anywhere during 1935, of one race, 3 lb.; of two races, 5 lb.; of three or more races, 7 lb.; at this Meeting, 3 lb. penalty. Subscription Grifflins of previous seasons, that have not won at least two races at race meetings of this Club, barred. Jockey Allowance. Penalties and Allowances accumulative. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

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The subject of equine memory is rife in English Track circles as Golden Miller is installed as favourite for the coming Grand National Race followers remember with regret that this great steeplechaser, the 1934 winner, fell twice in 1935 on the same course, and now, because of his recent remarkable comeback at Newbury, are asking "does a horse ever forget?"

for inches as per scale. Winner of the Valley Stakes, 7 lb. penalty. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. Seven Furlongs.

Also ran—Blossom, 155 lb. (Mr. B. A. Proulx); Canberra Girl, 156 lb. (Mr. Tang Man Wa); Centre Court, 155 lb. (Mr. G. A. Harriman); Moonlight, 147 lb. (Mr. E. O. Butler); and Violet Queen, 152 lb. (Mr. Y. T. Fung).

8 starters.
Won by a head, 2 lengths.
Time: 1.54.0.
Parimutuel, winner \$10.20; places, 1st \$3.80; 2nd \$11.10; 3rd \$3.20.

7-3.30 P.M.—THE MELBOURNE CUP—Winner \$750. Second \$250. Third \$150. For Australian Ponies of any Season. Weight 145 lb. Winners at any time of one race, 5 lb.; of two races, 10 lb.; of three or more races, 14 lb.; penalty. Entrance \$10. From the Two Mile Post One Round and In (About One Mile 171 Yards).

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5 starters.
Won by a short head, two lengths.
Time: 3.14.3.
Parimutuel, winner \$22.20; places, 1st \$6.10; 2nd \$9.20; 3rd \$6.00.

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Honeycomb Eve (1)	98826
King's Lead (2)	120154
Royal Scot (3)	59391
Amberley	145377
Bear Claw	145083
Boat Bay	75505
Dawn Star	114515
Donovan	112738
Forest View	45903
Gay Star	15337
Glorious View	152449
King's Sceptre	110861
Laughing Buddha	44236
Laughing Girl	138628
Magnificent View	91929
Miracle	70053
Old Star	67076
Rosemary	161069
Royal Comfort	103416
Royal Highness	10507
Royal Wedding Eve	56144
Silvermist	71485
Splendid View	29620
Thunder Bay	99731
Tyne	90333
1st Prize	\$69,963.30
2nd Prize	\$13,939.30
3rd Prize	\$9,994.90
Unplaced Starters (each)	\$1,135.80

9-4.30 P.M.—THE CHATER CUP—Presented with \$750 added for Winner. Second \$250. Third \$150. For China Ponies, that have started in at least five Extra Meetings of this Club during 1935, two or three of such Meetings previous to 1st July, 1935, and two or three subsequent to that date. Ponies classified "A" Class as at 31st December, 1935, barred. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners during 1935 of one race, 5 lb.; of two races, 7 lb.; of three or more races, 10 lb.; penalty. Subscription Grifflins of this Club allowed 5 lb. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. One and a Quarter Miles.

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White Ant Danger

The termite, more generally, but erroneously, called the white ant, is one of the means provided by nature for the quick disposal of dead vegetable matter and its return to the soil. It is found in all tropical and semi-tropical countries the world over and fulfils its mission with avidity and enthusiasm. Its appetite is as voracious as that of the shark.

There are certain varieties, notably the *termites gestroi*, which are even more voracious than their cousins and are equally distinctive to living vegetable tissues, as can bear witness the hundreds of thousands of well-grown rubber-trees that have perished on estates in Malaya, Ceylon and elsewhere.

There are comparatively few timbers that can withstand the powerful jaws of the white ant; softwoods are consumed with amazing rapidity. The creature works in the dark, constructing mud tunnels where it has to cross an open space to reach its objective; but when access to the coveted piece of timber can be gained underground, a post or beam will be completely hollowed out, only a mere skin of wood being left, and the first indication of the presence of white ants is the collapse of the post or beam.

But, beneficent as the work of the white ant may be in general, the creature unfortunately possesses no discrimination; nor is it a respecter of persons. Like the shark, it eats because it must, being created for the specific purpose of scavenging, and it will devour the timbers of a house as cheerfully and readily as a fallen tree in the forest.

Hong Kong, despite its winter, is a happy home for the marauding termite, which generally spends the cold weather in its air-conditioned and well-warmed underground townships. But, when it has established itself in a house, where the outer cold cannot penetrate with full effect, it can carry on its work unhampered during the winter.

The disastrous collapse of four tenement houses in Yau-mati last week is probably due to the work of these secret marauders. Anyone who has watched the demolition of some of the old buildings here, such as the Beaconsfield Arcade, probably noticed that the bricks, in many instances, had been laid, not in mortar, but in sandy mud. Such construction offers no obstacle to the white ant, which will even take advantage of air-holes in badly-cast concrete when it smells a succulent piece of timber above.

It is only too likely that most of the older houses of the Colony, built before the advent of reinforced concrete, have been constructed in this manner; and equally likely that, owing to the practice of subletting and re-subletting contracts which is all too common, beams and rafters of soft timbers, instead of hardwoods that would resist the attacks of white ants, have been built into a large number of these houses. Given these two defects in combination, the collapse of such a building becomes only a question of time. Doubtless the authorities are alive to this danger and will see that there is no recurrence of the Yau-mati tragedy.

SIR ROBERT HO TUNG

To Be Decorated By
French Gov.

OFFICIAL CEREMONY ON
SATURDAY

It was officially learned this morning from Monsieur Jules Lecomte, the French Consul-General for Hong Kong, that Sir Robert Ho Tung will be decorated with the Order of the Commander of the Dragon of Annam.

The instructions were received from the Annam Government, and Admiral Esteva, Chief of the French Naval Forces in the Far East, has been ordered to decorate Sir Robert Ho Tung.

The French Admiral is expected to arrive here on his flagship Lamotte-Piquet on Thursday morning, but the ceremony of decoration will take place at the Consul's residence on Saturday evening.

A reception, dinner and dance will be given in honour of the Admiral at the Consul's residence on Thursday evening.

FAREWELL TO DR. H. D. MATTHEWS

St. Andrew's Church
Hall Function

A large gathering of friends met at St. Andrew's Church Hall last night to bid farewell to Dr. H. D. Matthews, who are leaving Hong Kong on the steamer Faiping on March 13. Though Dr. Matthews will return from New Zealand in June to become Superintendent of the Matilda Hospital for three months he will probably leave the Colony for the last time at the end of that period.

Presentations were made to both Dr. and Mrs. Matthews on behalf of the St. Andrew's Club by the Rev. J. R. Higgs, who spoke warmly of the social work performed by both.

Dr. Matthews was presented with a pair of binoculars, while Mrs. Matthews received a black-wood tray inlaid with silver.

PUBLIC HEALTH IN GERMANY

CITIZENS TO HAVE "PEDIGREES"

—CHINA MAIL—SPECIAL

Berlin, To-day.
The office for Public Health of the National-Socialist Party plans, it is announced by the *Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung*, to institute a "health pedigree" for every German citizen. Every citizen is to be examined and the result stated in a booklet, which is to accompany him through his whole life, and the results of periodical examinations are to be noted therein, so that the state of health of the bearer can at any time be looked up.—Trans-Ocean Service.

EXPLANATION OF TO-DAY'S CARTOON

Monument To Nobody

THOUGH Afghanistan took no part whatever in the great World War, and there was never an Afghan soldier on any front, there stands in Kabul a monument to the Unknown Soldier. When the nations that had been at war erected their Unknown Soldier's memorials, King Amanullah liked the idea, and before he was deposed he built this unique memorial—much to the annoyance of various countries that fought the war.

Armistice Day Boy

Young Arthur Myers, whose name has 11 letters, has the unique distinction of having been born at exactly 11 a.m. on the 11th day of the 11th month of 1924, and weighed exactly 11 pounds at birth. On November 11th, Armistice Day, he celebrated his 11th birthday at 11 o'clock. Arthur was born in Mexico City, and now lives with his parents in Calexico, California, where his father, Willys A. Myers, is American Vice-Consul.

Here There and Everywhere

HEER HITLER'S BROTHER

A traveller who has been in Berlin lately says that one of the most interesting people he met was Herr Alois Hitler, Herr Adolf Hitler's half-brother.

Herr Alois Hitler, who keeps an inn in the Berlin West End, is a child of his father's second marriage—Herr Adolf, who is seven years younger, of his third.

The traveller related the conversation he had with Herr Alois Hitler, who speaks good English—learned while studying hotel-keeping in England and Ireland before the war.

"When he was a small boy we used to call Adolf 'Young Headstrong,'" he said. "He always knew what he wanted, and usually got it in the end."

"I SHALL BE A GREAT MAN"

The whole family was artistic. Both Adolf and Alois could paint and draw with unusual skill, and Alois plays the piano and the violin.

At the age of 15, according to Herr Alois, Adolf's ambitions were to become a poet. He wrote a verse play on Schiller's lines, which he used "to declaim all day."

"I remember that he said to me very seriously, 'Alois, one day I shall be a great man.'"

"It was in 1922," continued Herr Alois, "a year before the unsuccessful *putsch* in Munich, that I first became convinced that my brother would do great things. And I was right."

Your Daily Smile!

They stood at the garden gate, and Herbert coughed nervously. "Myra," he whispered huskily, "we've been walking out for years now, you and I."

"We have, Herbert."

"And," continued the youth nervously, "we've kind of got to know one another—to trust each other."

"Of course we have."

"Well," he gulped, "will you—will you lend me my bus fare home? I'm broke."

Landlord (to a would-be tenant): "But you're really quiet people?"

"Yes, I can assure you of that. You won't be aware of our coming and going at all."

Girl: "Do you like blondes or brunettes?"

Boy friend: "Oh, don't bother to dye it on my account."

NEW MONARCH IN ENGLAND

SYMBOL OF "REASONED CONSTITUTION"

MATTER FOR DEEP SATISFACTION FOR FRIENDS OF EMPIRE

(By Andre Maurois)

IN the course of the last hundred years, in France, in Spain, in Greece, monarchies have turned into republics; in Germany and Austria emperors have lost their thrones.

But in Great Britain the monarchy is far more secure in 1936 than it was in 1836. The affection in which the Royal Family is held is no longer a matter of class or party. Recent Royal marriages have been the signal for demonstrations of loyalty which astounded Europe, and the Jubilee showed the whole of the Empire rallying round King George as it did round Queen Victoria in 1897.

The secret of the success of the British monarchy is twofold. It lies partly in the nature of the institution and partly in the Sovereigns themselves.

The Constitution

Like most perfect works of art, the British Constitution is not the result of reasoned deliberation. The inimitable virtue of this Constitution is that it does not exist. Unlike the Constitution of the United States, it is not a sacred, almost inviolable document; it is an accumulation of customs rooted in particular circumstances, and one which only a new set of circumstances can alter.

The essential feature of that admirable invention, constitutional monarchy, is that the King, if he is to remain the unchallenged arbiter, must never be held responsible for a Government Act.

Ministers will always listen with the deepest respect to any criticism or objection proffered by the Sovereign, and will examine them with the closest attention. But the final decision lies with the Cabinet, for it is the Cabinet, not the Crown, which is responsible to Parliament.

Only by scrupulous adherence to this doctrine is it possible to keep the Crown outside the arena of political faction.

Sphere Of Action

Where, then, lies the Sovereign's sphere of action? In Bagehot's view, he retains three rights—the right to be consulted, the right

to encourage, the right to warn; and no wise King will ever desire more.

Nothing must be done in the realm unbeknown to the King, and British monarchs are right in their insistence on this prerogative—remaining inviolate. Thanks to the information provided by his Ministers, the King is always enabled to judge as an impartial observer.

He cannot prevent a line of action. But he can address his Prime Minister, saying: "Be careful: this is a dangerous path you are taking. I remember this, or that, unfortunate precedent. It is your responsibility, of course, and if you insist I shall give my signature. But I warn you, you are making a mistake."

These opinions are received with deep respect, because the prestige of the Sovereign is very great and also because the King, as the chief permanent official of his own Crown, soon acquires a much wider range of experience than that of most of his ministers.

Analogy Of Company

Sir Maurice Amos, explaining this function of the Sovereign, compares the country to a limited company administered by Parliament as its board of directors. The King might then be compared to the former owner of the business, who has retained his seat as chairman of the board. Having surrendered nearly all his holding of shares he can no longer vote; but his advice still commands most respect, and everything is done in his name.

But what advantage is there in thus keeping on the former owner of the concern? The advantages are numerous, and we may distinguish four reasons why constitutional monarchy, as it exists in Britain and in Belgium, is so unmistakably successful.

First, because, as a method of governing, it is intelligible.

The mass of mankind has a natural and irresistible tendency to place its hopes in one man. As H. W. Nevins has remarked, a phrase like "Liberty, Equality, Justice for all" is a phrase like "Liberty, Equality, Justice for all."

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"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley

